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Education

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Positions held

Research focus

Area

Professional activities

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Five selected publications	
Publication1	

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1979-1986:	Agricultural Sciences, University of Hohenheim	11
1986:	M.Sc. (Dipl.Ing.agr.), University of Hohenheim	
1990:	PhD (Dr.agr. summa cum laude), University of Giessen	
1999:	Habilitation (Plant Production and Nutrition in the	
	Tropics and Subropics), University of Giessen	

Positions held

1984-1985	Research Fellow, Office de Recherche Scientifique et Technique Outre-Mer" (ORSTOM), Dakar, Senegal
1986-1993	Collaborative Scientist, Soil and Water Sciences, International Rice Research Institut (IRRI), Los Baños, Philippines
1993-1999	Cropping Systems Agronomist, West Africa Rice Developement Association (WARDA), Bouaké, Côte d'Ivoire
since 1999	Professor, Plant Nutrition in the Tropics and Subtropics, University of Bonn

Research focus

Functions, transformations and cycling of nutrients in tropical cropping systems

Professional activities

•	Major advisor of 17	PhD an	d <mark>23</mark>	MS s	tu <mark>dent</mark>	is (2000) – <mark>pres</mark>	ent)		J
•	Member, selection	committe	ee for	DAA	N <mark>D</mark> Ph.	D. sch	ola <mark>rs fro</mark>	om Asia.	(2002 – pres	ent)
•	Associate Editor, "J	ournal o	f Plar	nt Nu	tri <mark>tion</mark>	and Soi	il S <mark>cien</mark>	ce (2003-	-present)	
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•	Member, Advisory E	Board, Ir	nsti <mark>t</mark> ut	e of	Tropic	al Agric	ulture –	DITSL (since 2005)	
•	Member, Scientific	Advisory	Boa	rd of	ATSA	AF e.V.	(since 2	005)		
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Five selected publications

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